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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

Applicant(s): M. GOTOU, et al.

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For: A METHOD OF MANUFACTURING A SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

Group: 2812

Examiner: Christopher W. LATTIN

NOTICE OF APPEAL

Commissioner for Patents
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October 9, 2003

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Decision dated June 9, 2003 of the Primary Examiner finally rejecting claims 29-54.

The items checked below are appropriate:

- ☐ A timely response to the final rejection was filed on .
- ☒ Fee \$330.00 ☒ is enclosed ☐ not required (fee paid in prior appeal).

To the extent necessary, Applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in the fees due in connection with the filing of

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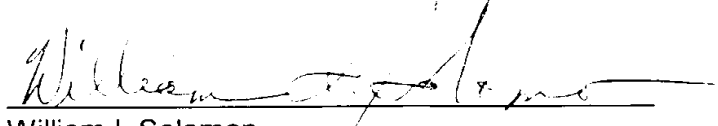
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this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Case No. 501.40695X00) and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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